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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 are U.S. Patent Nos. 5,231,690, 5,618,350, 5,688,331 and 2001/0055190/A1.

Pursuant to the waiving of the requirement of 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of these U.S. references are not enclosed.

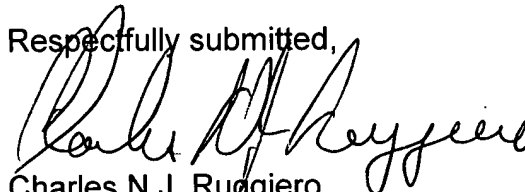
It is applicants' belief that none of the above citations describe that which is claimed in the present invention.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of the first Office Action based on the merits, no petition or fee is required.

Applicants' respectfully request favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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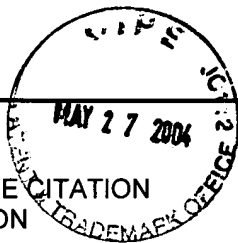
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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5,231,690	7/27/93	Soma et al.	392	416	
	5,618,350	4/8/97	Ishikawa et al.	118	725	
	5,688,331	11/18/97	Aruga et al.	118	725	
	2001/0055190	12/27/01	Saito et al.	361	234	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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